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~~TO DIRECTOR (159-12201) NR 000-50~~

~~FROM LEGAT BUENOS AIRES (109-2)~~

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~~JANUARY 9, 1976~~
ON 1-9-76: APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO, ROBERTO QUIETO, A RANKING

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ON JANUARY 8, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD, WHO IS A

MADE AVAILABLE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION; ~~(S)~~

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